

- 1) Believed to derive from Choctaw words, ***alba***, meaning “plants” or “weeds”, and ***amo***, which means “to cut” or “to gather”.
- 2) Russian version of an Aleutian (Eskimo) word, ***alakshak***, which means “peninsula”, “great lands”, or “land that is not an island”.
- 3) Spanish version of a Pima Indian word for “little spring place”, **OR** Aztec ***arizuma***, which means “silver bearing”.
- 4) French pronunciation of a Quapaw (a Siouan people) word, meaning “land of the downriver people” or “people of the south wind”.
- 5) From a Mohegan word ***quinnitukqut***, which means “place of long tidal river”.
- 6) Possibly derived from a native word for “homeland” – ***hawaiki*** or ***owhyee***.
- 7) French adaptation of ***ilenweewa***, a Miami (Algonquian) word meaning “s/he speaks normally”.
- 8) This state’s name means “land of the Indians”.
- 9) Indian word variously translated as “one who puts to sleep” or “beautiful land”.

- 10) Named after a river, which was named for the Kansa (“people of the south wind”) people.
- 11) Probably from an Iroquoian word (Mohawk – ***kenhta:ke***/Seneca – ***kehta’keh***) for “meadow” or “prairie”. Other possibilities are: Wyandot – “land of tomorrow”, Shawnee term referring to the head of a river; Algonquian word for a river bottom.
- 12) Comes from the name of an American Indian tribe, ***mass-adchu-s-et***. One translation of this word is “near the great hill”.
- 13) Ojibwa word ***mishigami***, meaning “great water”.
- 14) Dakota Sioux word ***mnisota***, which means “cloudy water” or “sky-tinted water”.
- 15) Ojibwa or Chippewa word ***misi ziibi***, meaning “great river” or “gathering-in of all the waters”; also, Algonquian word ***messipi***.
- 16) From Siouan tribe of same name, whose Illinois name ***ouemessourita*** means “those who have dugout canoes”.
- 17) From an Oto word, ***Ni Brasge*** or an Omaha word, ***Ni Bthaska***. Both words mean “flat water”, describing the Platte River.

- 18) Sioux word for “friend” or “ally”.
- 19) Iroquois (Seneca) word, ***ohi:yo***, for “fine or good river”.
- 20) From two Choctaw words, ***okla*** and ***humma***, meaning “red people”.
- 21) ***Tanasi*** or ***Tanase*** was the name of a Cherokee town located in present-day Monroe County in this state.
- 22) This state’s name is a derivation of a Caddoan language word, ***tayshay***, which means “allies” or “friends”.
- 23) Derived from the Ute language, meaning “people of the mountains”.
- 24) Algonquian word, possibly meaning “it lies red”, alternately spelled by Europeans ***Mescousing*** or ***Ouisconsin***.
- 25) Derived from the Munsee name ***xwe:wamenk***, meaning “at the big river flat”. This name was originally applied to a valley of the same name in Pennsylvania, which was the site of an Indian massacre. In Algonquian, it means “large prairie place”.